

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 04/15/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-24.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 13 March 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-24 are allowed.
2. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

The prior art of record fails to teach, a method automatically controlling transmission power of a wireless communication apparatus in order to suppress consumed transmission power, the method comprising the steps setting the transmission power to a maximum value at a start of transmission; gradually reducing the transmission power by a predetermined amount, each time when transmission succeeds a predetermined number of times; and in the case of a transmission failure at a transmission power which is gradually reduced by the predetermined amount, determining a power which is higher by the predetermined amount than the transmission power, as an optimum value.

Chen et al. (5,960,361) in view of Agrawal et al. (5,722,051) disclosed a method of controlling power wherein consumed power is suppressed by setting the transmission power to a maximum value at a start of transmission, gradually reducing power by a predetermined amount each time when transmission succeeds a predetermined number of times, and in a case where a transmission failure occurs at a transmission power setting the power higher by a predetermined amount as the optimum power. Therefore, Chen in view of Agrawal disclose a similar invention, however, are failing to disclose setting the transmission power higher by the same amount it was lower in a previous step "the predetermined amount".

As a result claims 1-24 are deemed allowable.

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Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nick Corsaro whose telephone number is 703-306-5616. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:00-3:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nay A Maung can be reached on **571-272-7882**. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-272-7876.

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